equipment would still have to follow the relevant rules and procedures of the US Government.

(c) to (f) Various Options relating to import of equipment from the U.S.A. are being considered. These proposals are still under consideration, and no price negotiations have been initiated. U.S. has indicated its. intent to continue product support for export licenses required for the Sea King helicopters.

Notification under Official Language Rules

†1795. SHRI DEVI PRASAD SINGH: Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Ministry of Defence has been notified under Rule 10(4) of the Official Language Rules;

(b) if so, the number of sections in the Ministry which have been notified under Rule 8(4) of the Official Language Rules to do all their official work in Hindi;

(c) whether all such sections so notified really do their prescribed work in Hindi; and

(d) if not, the action being initiated against them to ensure compliance of the Official Language Rules?

THE MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI GEORGE FERNANDES): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Orders under rule 8(4) of the Official Languages Rules, have been issued for 18 sections of the Ministry for doing most of the work on certain subjects in Hindi.

(c) Yes, to the extent as explained in (b) above.

(d) In view of (c) above, question does not arise.

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†Original notice of the Question was received in Hindi.